

## **Jesse L. Holman Letters**

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### **Biographical Note:**

Jesse Lynch Holman was born on October 24, 1784, near Danville, Kentucky. He was admitted to the Kentucky bar on September 2, 1805, and practiced law in New Castle, Port William, and Frankfort, Kentucky. In 1810, he married Elizabeth Masterson. He moved to Indiana in 1811 and settled near the present site of Aurora, where he built Veraestau, an historic home still in existence.

After settling in Indiana, Holman became an active public servant. In 1811, Governor William Henry Harrison appointed Holman prosecuting attorney for Dearborn County. He became a member of the territorial legislature and was appointed presiding judge of the second judicial circuit in 1814. After two year, he was appointed judge of the third circuit and a justice of the Indiana Supreme Court. He served on the Supreme Court from 1816 to 1830, when Governor James Brown Ray removed him from the court.

After leaving the bench, he returned to Veraestau, continued his law practice, and increased his involvement in the Baptist church and the Sunday school movement. He made an unsuccessful U.S. senatorial bid, losing to John Tipton by one vote. In 1834, Holman was ordained as a Baptist minister. He was one of the founders of Indiana University, Franklin College, and the Indiana Historical Society. In addition to his legal career, Holman was also an author. His novel, *The Prisoners of the Niagara, or Errors of Education*, was published in 1810. In 1836, he was appointed federal district judge of Indiana. He remained in this post until his death on March 28, 1842.

#### *Source:*

Banta, Ray E., comp. Indiana Authors and their Books, 1816-1916. Crawfordsville, IN: Wabash College, 1949.

*Indiana Supreme Court Justice Biographies: Justice Jesse Lynch Holman*. Indiana Supreme Court. 3 Feb. 2006. <<http://www.in.gov/judiciary/citc/justice-bios/holman.html>>.

## Scope and Content Note:

The collection contains letters to Jesse Lynch Holman as President of the Aurora Bible Association and reports of various churches to the Laughery Association of Baptists. Recipients other than Holman are men who served as clerk to the Laughery Association

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## Item Listing:

### 1 Folder.

1824 June 4	Woodhull, S. S. to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1824 Dec. 21	Nitchie, John to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1825 Mar. 25	Nitchie, John to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1825 Aug. 29	Nitchie, John to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1825 Apr. 11	Nitchie, John to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1827 Dec. 31	Beal, S. to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1828 Dec. 5	Lewis, Zibiah to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1828	Nawton, Jesse to John Nawter, ALS
1829 Sept. 3	Harpham, Henry to Laughery Baptist Association, ALS
1833 Sept. 19	Baptist Church of Jesus Christ to Laughery Association, AL
1835 Nov. 23	Moss, Thomas to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1836 Sept. 10	Dixon, John to the Laughery Association, ALS
1838 Apr. 4	Brigham, J. to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1838	McEwing, Mods[?], James to Joseph Hiner, ALS
1840 Mar. 17	Kobins, E. to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
1840 Aug. 22	Baptist Church of Christ to Laughery Association, AL
1841 Sept. 21	Law, John to Jesse Lynch Holman, ALS
undated	Slogedill, Daniel to B. R. Ward, ALS

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## Collection Information:

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